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EDITORIAL.

PROBABLY many of our present subscribers have received sample copies of the JOURNAL, this last couple of weeks. They must not think it a mistake—and not take it as an intimation of carelessness on our part—and they will do us very much good by handing the surplus copy to some bee or poultry keeper and putting in a good word for the JOURNAL and WEEKLY.

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The following notice we received from the Secretary, some time since, but it was mislaid, and what we wrote was from memory of the notice which was read when it came in. This, however, gives some further particulars:—

The American International Bee-Keepers' Association will meet at the Court House, Brantford, Dec. 4th to 6th, 1889. All bee-keepers are invited to attend. State and district societies are invited to appoint delegates to the meeting. Full particulars of the meeting will be published in due time. Anyone desirous of becoming a member and receiving the last annual report bound, may do so by forwarding one dollar to the secretary.

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The Past and Coming Season.

THE past season in this locality was a very poor one for honey, and with prospects for such I concluded to keep down increase. Therefore only increased from 100 to 130 colonies. I only took 50lbs. of honey

the bees not even getting enough for winter, as I had to feed \$80 of best granulated sugar to bring them up to the proper weight for wintering. Of the 130 colonies put into winter quarters two died in the house and one in the cellar at the Castor apiary. The two former should not have gone into winter quarters, as one was especially weak and the other proved to have had an unfertile queen. The third colony swarmed, evidently through consuming their stores in brood rearing. I found several short of stores after being put out. I put out a few each of the following days, 8th, 9th, 10th, 16th, and the last, on the 17th of April, bees gathered pollen the first day I put any out. They have since gathered a little honey from soft maple, swamp willow and elm.

Where is Mr. Jones with his usual predictions for the prosperity of the coming season? Before this date other seasons he had the hearts of his brother bee-keepers filled with bright anticipations. Perhaps he is trying a change this season. At any rate we hope for a change in the honey crop.

H. COUSE.

Cheltenham, April 27th, 1889.

We intend doing our prophesying in the fall. Then we'll say "we told you so."

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McKnight's Medley.

MESSRS EDITORS.—I have just read that "Medley," and although it is very near midnight I must write and say, "Well done McKnight."

In handling his quill as a polemic Robert is "a man after my own heart." Why, I myself